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The Gainesville Sun has one of the best paragraphists in the South.—Punta Gorda Herald.

In practice campaigns the German troops will use Japanese maneuvers. The Emperor of the Germans is bound to be up to the times.

Thanksgiving Day always comes on the last Thursday in November, no matter how many Thursdays there may be in the month.

The frosts of early fall are beginning to pinch some of the people up North and they are inquiring about winter rates in Florida.

McCreary gets out a very creditable paper for a country daily—the best country daily The News has ever seen.—Deland Weekly News.

And now they are asserting that the pen has knocked out the sword, and President Roosevelt is the man who started the goose quill to flopping.

Pensacola citizens are not paying visits to Jacksonville at present. They are locked on with suspicion and detained until they are free from fever.

The Gainesville schools will be up to the standard of any in the State this year, and there will probably be a large number of foreign students in attendance.

Indiana is so close to Chicago that the Hoosiers get the Chicago habit. One woman claims she has been married six times and was never in the Windy City.

The after effects of Labor Day are worse than that of a week's hard toil. The reason for it, no doubt, is that our eight hours are put in on Labor Day besides something else.

Tat does not expect to return from the Philippines until October. He certainly doesn't intend to visit them for some time, and will give them something to last for a hundred years.

It was claimed that Atlanta is safe because they have got left on the city mosquitoes and will not have any quarantine unless they can handle the whole thing. Did you ever hear of silliness?

Adjutant-General of the State has moved the State encampment of the Second Infantry at Orlando, and the first will be at Lake City, the second October 5th for Second and October 15th for the First Regiment.

General William of Germany, in speaking of the peace conference at Portsmouth, said: "President Roosevelt deserves credit for bringing the peace. He was the only man in the world who could have done it. He did it splendidly."

The observance of Labor's holiday was very general in the larger cities, but in the smaller ones there was some let out of the ordinary. Some towns will hang around and do nothing for a month to get a \$2 note for falling in line on Labor Day.

BUILDING COTTON MILLS.

The South will in a few years be supplied with sufficient help to revive the cotton mills industry, which has been somewhat retarded of late on account of the labor problem, which has at times seemed to be one of the greatest obstacles in the way of this industry.

The report of Mr. Hester, secretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, shows, however, that there was a very considerable increase in the amount of cotton taken by the Southern mills during the past business year. This would seem to indicate that while so many mills are not being built every year as there was a few years ago, the capacity for manufacturing cotton goods is being enlarged with great regularity.

The number of bales taken by Southern mills for the season of 1903-4 was 1,819,209, and for the year just closed it was 2,117,920, an increase of almost 300,000 bales. If the increase were as great every year it would take only a little more than thirty years for the South to manufacture pretty nearly the whole of her cotton crop, provided there was no increase in the volume of the crop.

But there is going to be an increase in the average size of the crop. There is no doubt about that. New lands will be brought under cultivation and old ones will be made more productive.

At present the South, as a rule, is manufacturing the coarser grades of goods, says The Savannah News. She ought, more and more, to give her attention to the manufacture of the finer grades, because there is a greater profit in them, and they require a class of labor that earns better wages. There are of course a good many mills that turn out the better class of goods, but there is no good reason why there shouldn't be a great many more. If the South is to get rich, and there is no reason why she shouldn't, she should put as much capital as she can into factories that turn out the best goods that are made out of cotton.

The reason that she has given the most of her attention to the coarser grades is that she has lacked capital to engage in the manufacture of the finer grades and she lacked the labor. She has the capital now and there ought to be no difficulty in getting the labor. She should get out of her cotton all there is to be had.

With a proper understanding of the advantages of cotton factories located in the South, there is no doubt, however, of securing an abundance of capital to push this industry. The people who have money to invest want the facts made known to them, and if one-half the effort was made in this direction as there is to sell stock in some worthless "salted" mine, there would be a rush of cotton mills to the South. It needs push to make a success of any industry.

WHY OIL KILLS MOSQUITOES.

The mosquito is at present attracting much attention, and his destruction is at this time of unusual interest. Mosquito larvae—wrigglers, as they are termed—require water for their development, says Henry B. Needham in The Country Calendar. A heavy shower leaves standing water, which, when the air is full of moisture, evaporates slowly. Then, too, the heat favors the growth of the micro-organisms on which the larvae feed. Wrigglers found in the water forty-eight hours after their formation will have plenty of food, and adult mosquitoes will appear six to eight days after the eggs are laid. Clear weather, with quick evaporation, interferes with the development of the wrigglers, so that a season with plenty of rain, but with sunshiny, drying weather intervening, is not "good mosquito weather."

Inasmuch as a generation of mosquitoes appear to torment man within ten days, at the longest, after the eggs are laid; as a batch laid by a female mosquito contains from 200 to 400 eggs; as from each egg may issue a larva or wriggler which in six days will be an adult mosquito on the wing, it is to the destruction of the larvae that attention should be directed. The larvae is a slender organism, white or gray in color, comprising eight segments. The last of these parts is in the form of a tube, through which the wriggler breathes. Although its habitat is the water, it must come to the surface to breathe, therefore its natural position is head down and tail, or respiratory tube, up. Now, if oil is spread on the surface of a pool inhabited by mosquito larvae, the wrigglers are denied access to the air which they must have. Therefore, they drown just as any air-breathing animal would drown under similar circumstances.

YELLOW FEVER.

The yellow fever situation is none too cheerful, although there is no doubt of the truth of the assertion that the physicians have a slight advantage in the struggle. The vigorous measures at Pensacola will keep the cases there within bounds and prevent the spread of the disease, and the fact that it is so near at hand should be an incentive for every one to clean up, fumigate and prepare for the scourge in case it should come. Make an effort to kill the mosquitoes, clean out all cesspools and slick up generally, whether you fear the fever or not.

The many ports of Florida afford a good opportunity for refugees to get into the State, and nothing but a thorough patrol of the coast could prevent it, if they were inclined to come here. The reports from many States of numerous cases shows that with but few exceptions a vigorous effort is being put forth to check it, and it is safe to predict that the epidemic will not increase much more, if any, than it is at present.

But, in the meantime, let all look to their own household, and when it comes we will be prepared to receive the plague.

OUR MILITIA

Our State rifle team has returned from Sea Fort, N. J., where the boys of the various companies of Florida militia participated in the national contest, which brought together the best shots from the entire militia of the 45 States and several teams from the United States Army. While the team does not come home laden with medals, it has the satisfaction of leading many of the others that come from other States where the militia has three to our one to select from in procuring a team. The boys have certainly proven themselves a credit to the State.

Major Dapray, United States Army, retired, detailed by the Secretary of War as inspector of the Florida State Troops, and acting assistant adjutant-general of Florida, was at Sea Fort, and witnessed the work of the Florida team. He has expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the excellent scores made by the Florida rifle team.

According to the statements of The Ocala Banner the people of that city will not miss the saloons if they are removed as there are few men there who indulge in the stuff. The Banner declares that among the business and professional men there are no "boozers" and the clerks do not indulge, so the only ones left to drink up the liquor dispensed there are the laboring men. If this is true, is it any wonder we have labor troubles?

The Tampa Times calls The High Springs Hornet "that freak newspaper."

JUDSON JOTTINGS.

The Cotton Crop is Earlier Than Usual—Personal Notes.

Judson, Sept 5—Mrs. R. P. Miller of Jonesville is here visiting her sister, Mrs. R. S. Tucker.

Mrs. T. R. Pickett and son, Gavin, of Half Moon are here visiting relatives.

H. A. Pickett of Jonesville was here Monday, and he went from here to Trenton on business.

The farmers are very busy picking out cotton. Some report that two-thirds of the crop is now open. It is about fifteen days earlier than usual. The gins will commence next week at Trenton. The gins here won't run this year.

It has been decided that we are entitled to permit the casting of 200 votes in the free library contest for each yearly subscription paid for prior to October 15th, 1905. Subscribers who have paid for the paper since June 14th are entitled to vote. Coupons can be obtained at this office.

The Twice-a-Week Sun being entitled to permit the casting of 200 votes in the free library contest for each yearly subscription paid for, the ladies of Kirby Smith Chapter, U. D. C., take this method of notifying those who pay their subscriptions prior to 7 o'clock p. m. of October 14th, 1905, or who have paid since June 14th, 1905, that the Chapter will greatly appreciate their support. Should the Chapter win the library the reference books will be given to the Gainesville High School, where they are badly needed, and the others to the Hospital Association. Simply write the editor of The Sun to permit Mrs. J. F. McKinstry, Jr., to cast your vote, and the ladies will greatly appreciate same.

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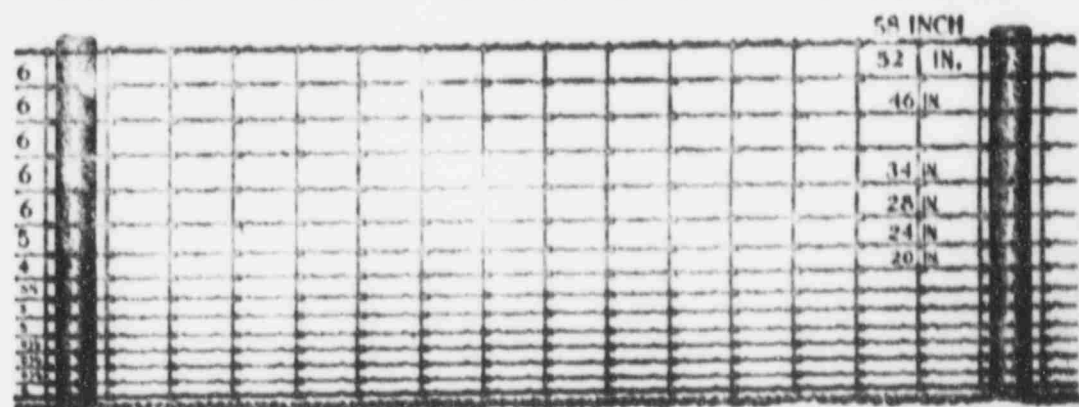
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